### CALL THE DCS OFFICE NEAREST YOU.

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# Child Support NonWage Enforcement Program (NWEP)

Information
for dealers and
lenders about the
Division of Child
Support's personal
property liens



## This brochure is for you if:

- You are a dealer or lender involved in the sale of automobiles, motorcycles, vessels, trailers, RV's, or motor homes, and
- You record transactions through the Department of Licensing.

# What is the NonWage Enforcement Program (NWEP)?

The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Division of Child Support (DCS) files NonWage Enforcement Program (NWEP) liens, with the Department of Licensing (DOL), on personal property to collect delinquent child support. We file liens on:

- Cars
- Trucks
- Motorcycles
- Vessels
- Trailers
- RV's and mobile homes.

### How could a DCS lien affect me?

When you buy, sell, or trade a vehicle, our liens allow us to collect money toward a delinquent child support debt. DCS liens affect you if you are a:

- Vehicle dealer
- Vessel dealer and lender
- Auctioneer
- Towing company
- Insurance company
- Mechanic
- Landlord
- Property manager
- Private Citizen

## Should I report buying or selling assets?

We encourage dealers to do a DOL title search to avoid problems when buying or selling an asset. Problems occur when dealers do not file a DOL *Dealer Notice of Purchase* or *Sellers Report*.

## What happens when DCS files a lien?

When DCS files liens with DOL Vehicle Services Division, Title and Registration Services, DOL creates a new registration and Certificate of Title. The legal owner section of the title shows who the lien holders are. For example:

### 1. DCS as the only lien holder:

DSHS/Division of Child Support Central Operations — NWEP PO Box 9008 Olympia, WA 98507-9008

### 2. DCS and a primary lender:

DSHS/DCS/NWEP — Lien 2 Primary Lien Holder name — Lien 1 Primary Lien Holders mailing address

# Who is notified when DOL records the lien?

- DOL sends a *Notice of Cancellation* to the registered owner and to any primary lien holder.
- DOL sends a confirmation to DCS.
- DCS sends a *Notice of Intent to Seize Property* to the registered owner.
- DCS sends a *Notice of Secondary Lien* to the primary lien holder.

## **Are DCS liens honored in other States?**

Yes. The following states recognize and honor our liens: Idaho, Illinois, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon, and Tennessee.

## What happens when DCS files a lien?

If the registered or legal owners address changes, contact DOL. Many owners do not receive important titles and notices because of bad addresses.

## Who is notified when DOL records the lien?

Some dealers ask customers to declare liens filed on their vehicle. It is a **"false"** sale, if people with child support debts do not declare DCS liens when trading or selling an asset.

## How can I get help and information about a DCS lien?

#### Call or write to:

Division of Child Support Central Operations — NWEP PO Box 9008 Olympia, WA 98507-9008

Call 800-457-6202 or 360-664-5000

Fax 360-586-3274

Web www1.dshs.wa.gov/dcs/index.shtml

#### Who do I contact to do a title search?

- Vehicle Information Processing System (VIPS) Call to open an account 360-902-3760
- DOL Public Disclosure Section
   No-account necessary 360-902-3780

#### CARFAX

3975 Fair Ridge Drive, Suite 200 Fairfax, VA 22033-2924 Call 703-934-2664 Web http://www.carfax.com/

If you are aware of someone attempting to sell a vehicle or other asset with a DCS lien, please call us at 800-457-6202. There may be penalties under law (RCW 46.12.210).